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Subject: Request for Hot Topics for Week of January 14th

Hello ARU colleagues,

Please let me know if you have any "Hot Topics" for this current week. Please write a brief/succinct description of any topics that may be of interest to management and staff.

I'd appreciate a respond by THURSDAY, JANUARY 17th at NOON (your time).

For your reference, here was our submission from last week:

A description of any national-level "hot topics" you think Dennis might need to know about for his weekly call with the Deputy Administrator and Associate Administrators on Monday morning:

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Donlin Gold Project Environmental Impact Statement: On January 9, the Project EIS Team had a meeting to discuss the upcoming public scoping meetings in the Yukon and Kuskokwim Rivers area for the Donlin Gold Project EIS. Scoping meetings will start next week beginning in Bethel, Aniak and Crooked Creek (middle Kuskokwim River). The Anchorage meeting is scheduled for January 22. The week of January 28, additional scoping meetings will take place in Quinhagak, Kipnuk, Nunapitchuk, and Akiak (lower Kuskokwim River). Teleconference capabilities will also be provided at the scoping meetings to allow tribal and public participation from remote locations. Mark Jen will be attending the meetings next week. Tami Fordham will be attending the meetings the week of January 28.

Any other regional-level "hot topics" you think I might need to know about for the Executive Team meeting on Monday afternoon; and

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Thank you much.

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